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Subject: RE: This week's rain and Potential Curtailment Lifting
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Bill and Others,

Based on the forecast, we will not be lifting curtailments at this time.

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Hi John

The Department is also concerned with existing Delta water quality, the precipitation forecast for the Sacramento River watershed and the very dry conditions in the region. We are not in favor of lifting curtailments at this time.

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Hi John,

We are not convinced that this weekend's forecasted precipitation will result in a significant change in our water operations and are not in favor of lifting the curtailment yet. We are still making storage withdrawals from our reservoirs to support the in-basin uses and next week we may be closing the Delta Cross Channel gates to achieve the modified Rio Vista flow objective for October. Delta water quality is above levels of concern and more diversions in the basin will not be helpful. We can evaluate conditions next week when we can assess what the weekend storm produced, Delta water quality, and also evaluate forecasted conditions for the remainder of the month.

Thanks,
Paul

On Fri, Oct 24, 2014 at 12:02 PM, O'Hagan, John@Waterboards <John.O'Hagan@waterboards.ca.gov> wrote:

Gentlemen,

I am reaching out for comments from both DWR and USBR. The State Water Board has received several requests from water right holders in the Sacramento River watershed to temporarily lift curtailments to allow for the collection of the runoff that may occur. As you know, our Board sent notices to post-1914 water right holders describing the intent to allow diversions when rainfall conditions justified. http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/drought/docs/curtail_lift.pdf.

Before the State Water Board considers lifting of curtailment, that would likely start on Saturday, we would like to know if DWR or USBR object because it will affect delta operations and salinity control. FYI- We do expect that some parties downstream of your reservoirs will exercise rights to fill duck ponds during this period.

Please provide your feedback as soon as possible. Thanks

John O'Hagan

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